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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 2/22/02 containing a restriction requirement, Applicants elect to proceed with Group I, claims 1-34 and 36-41, without traverse.

In the unlikely event that the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including an extension of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions

and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-1128 referencing SPLX.P0060. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

CONCLUSION

The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner examine the elected claims at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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